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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 5
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CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:
SHSA-9J

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Sturgis Iron & Metal Co.
Elkhart Metals Div.
1514 W. Lusher Ave
P.O. Box 4537
Elkhart, IN 46515

Re: Request for Information Pursuant to Section 104(e) of CERCLA for
the Standard Scrap/Chicago International Exporting Site, in
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir or Madam:

This Agency is conducting an investigation of the release or threat-
ened release of hazardous substances at the Standard Scrap/Chicago
International Exporting Site in Chicago, Illinois during the time
period of 1970 to the present. The Agency is also investigating how
the substances at the Site came to be located there. We believe you
may have information concerning these matters.

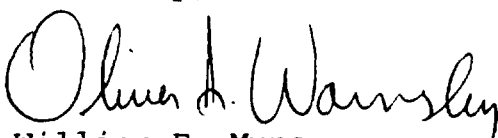
Under federal law, Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental
Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), you must respond to
the enclosed information requests. If you do not respond fully and
truthfully to each of the questions, or adequately justify your
failure to respond, within thirty (30) days of your receipt this
letter, enforcement action may be brought against you. For further
definition of the potential penalties and legal references, please see
the enclosed Instructions.

Your response to this Information Request should be mailed to
Ingrid Kay, HSA-9J, Cost Recovery Section, at the above address. Ms.
Kay's telephone number is (312) 886-4828.

Please direct any legal questions you may have to Kurt N. Lindland at
(312) 886-6831. If you have any other questions, contact Steven
Faryan at (312) 353-9351.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,



for William E. Muno
Associate Director for Superfund

Enclosures



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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Read all questions and the certification before completing the form.
2. You must respond to all questions on the enclosed form.
3. For questions containing a YES/NO option, circle the appropriate response. Circle one response only.
4. If you require additional space for your response, attach additional sheets to this form. At the top of each sheet state your name and clearly indicate the number of the question to which you are responding.
5. If you are the owner or operator of a business, this Information Request is directed to your company, its officers, directors and employees, and its subsidiaries, divisions, facilities and their officers, directors and employees.
6. This Information Request is not subject to the approval requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, 44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.
7. The information requested herein must be provided notwithstanding its possible characterization as confidential information or trade secrets. You may request, however, that such information be handled as confidential business information (CBI). A request for CBI status must be made when the information is provided, information not so identified will not be accorded this protection by the U.S. EPA. Information claimed to be CBI will be handled in accordance with the provisions of 40 C.F.R. Part 2. To facilitate handling CBI or financial information, please provide such information on separate pages and group all such pages together in one portion of the response. Clearly identify the information as confidential by placing the word "confidential" in the upper right hand corner of the first page containing the information and on the cover letter transmitting it.
8. Sign your name at the end of the enclosed form.

NOTE: Pursuant to the authority of Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9604(e), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, Pub. L. 99-499, you are hereby requested to respond to the Information Requests enclosed. Compliance with the enclosed Information Requests is mandatory. Failure to respond fully and truthfully to each and every Information Request within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, or to adequately justify such failure to respond, can result in enforcement action by U.S. EPA pursuant to Section 104(e)(5) of CERCLA which, as amended, authorizes the United States to seek penalties from a Federal court of up to \$25,000 for each day of continued non-compliance. Please be further advised that provision of false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations may subject you to criminal penalties of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or up to five (5) years of imprisonment or both under 18 U.S.C. 1001.

DEFINITIONS

1. "The Site" means the entire property on and about which the Standard Scrap/Chicago International Exporting Site is located at 4004 through 4020 South Wentworth and 4000 through 4027 South Wells Streets in Chicago, Illinois.
2. The term "business" means any corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, group, association, joint venture, affiliation, subsidiary, agency or unit of government.
3. The term "affiliated" means any manner of ownership interest, franchise arrangement or partnership association and/or franchise, cooperative, partnership, trust, etc.
4. The term "supporting documents" means any and all records or documents which provide information to support your response. These include, but are not limited to, receipts, manifests, shipping documents, canceled checks, accounts payable/receivable records, accounting ledgers, weight tickets, etc.
5. The term "waste" or "wastes" means liquids and solids, scrap material, shredded metal, batteries, electric motors, transformers, and other scrap metal material.